

EFFECTIVE

September 1, 2012.

Subject(s)

1. New items.
2. Revised item.
3. Obsolete item.
4. Interim policy bulletin added to policy manual.

1) New item

FOM 801, Health Services for Foster Children

Policy is added to include clarity and uniformity to the individual tasks of the allocated health liaison officer position. Currently this position is found in 19 Michigan counties. The Health Liaison Officer section is found on pages 12 and 13 of FOM 801, Health Services for Foster Children (released April 1, 2012).

Reason: Recommendation from Permanency Division Director and Health, Education and Youth Unit management.

FOM 803, Medicaid-Foster Care.

FOM 800 series was developed to incorporate into one section all new and existing foster care policy regarding medical, dental and mental health requirements and Medicaid assistance.

FOM 803 includes the following policy subjects:

- The complete policy from FOM 902-11, Determination of Medical Assistance Eligibility is removed from the FOM 900 series and included within FOM 803. FOM 902-11 is deleted.
- New policy:
 - Foster Care Departmental Ward Medicaid (MA-FCDW) standard of promptness.
 - Medicaid Type.
 - Fee-for-Service Medicaid.
 - Medicaid Health Plans (MHP).
 - Michigan Enrolls.
 - Medicaid Enrollment Status.

- Voluntary Enrollment Status for American Indian Children.
- Newborn Enrollments.
- MHP Participation and Primary Care Providers.
- Obtaining Needed Services and Prescriptions,
- Health Identification Cards.

Reason: The above policy additions are based on Michigan Department of Community Health and federal Medicaid guidelines, and Health, Education and Youth Unit recommendations.

Communication Plan: Medicaid Job Aid.

2) Revised Item

FOM 803 includes revision of the youth eligibility criteria for Foster Care Transitional Medicaid (FCTMA) eligibility.

Youth who age out of foster care are eligible for Foster Care Transitional Medicaid (FCTMA) once the foster care Medicaid case is closed. This applies to youth who are 18, 19 and 20 years of age. FCTMA is not available for active foster care cases.

For a youth to be eligible for FCTMA, the following criteria must be met. The youth:

- Is under 21 years of age;
- Is not currently incarcerated or in a locked public institution.
- **At the time of his/her 18th birthday, is or was** under the responsibility of the Michigan Department of Human Services (DHS) or tribal court and placed in an out-of-home placement.

Policy rescinds the previous FCTMA policy excluding foster care youth who were placed in following placements on his/her 18th birthday from FCTMA:

- Any public or private secure placement facility.
- A public child care institution for more than 25 children.
- Jail.
- Detention facilities, forestry camps, training schools, or other facilities operated primarily for the detention of children determined to be delinquent.

A youth in one of the above placements on his/her 18th birthday is FCTMA eligible after leaving jail, detention facilities and training schools provided the other eligibility criteria are met. Youth placed in private secure placement facility and child care institutions with more than 25 children are eligible for FCTMA.

Policy rescinds the listing of specific out-of-home placements since the excluded out-of-home placements no longer apply, a youth in any out-of-home placement on his/her 18th birthday is FCTMA eligible provided the other eligibility criteria are met.

Reason: Health, Education and Youth and Michigan Department of Community Health recommendation. A similar revision will be released in BEM 118 in October 2012 (per MDCH Medicaid Policy Office).

Communication Plan: FCTMA revised and rescinded policy will be communicated to the field through Child Welfare Field Operations Administration monthly supervisory phone conference and Health, Education, and Youth Unit phone conference with Health Liaison Officers.

3) Obsolete Item

FOM 902-11, Determination of Medical Assistance Eligibility is obsolete. Historical policy will be available under the prior versions for DHS viewers and through the Archives of Michigan. If you are a DHS viewer change the Effective Date in the Open/Jump/Search menu to view items historically.

4) Interim Bulletin Information Added to Policy

The following interim program policy bulletin was released in May 2012. Corresponding manual items have been added to FOM 803 with this bulletin release.

FOB 2012-009, Medicaid - Young Adult Voluntary Foster Care Youth.

**MANUAL
MAINTENANCE
INSTRUCTIONS**

Added Items ...

FOM 803

Changed Items (content changes) ...

FOM 801

Deleted Items ...

FOM 902-11